PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2019-281-S ORDER NO. 2020-64-H

JULY 8, 2020

Hearing Officer: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

Application of Palmetto Utilities, Incorporated for Adjustment (Increase) of Rates and Charges, Terms and Conditions, for Sewer Service Provided to Customers in Its Richland and Kershaw County Service Areas

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Request of the Office of Regulatory Staff for the Public Filing of the Unredacted Revised Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Daniel P. Hunnell, II

HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") requests that the unredacted Revised Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Daniel P. Hunnell, II, which ORS submitted under seal on June 18, 2020, be publicly filed and accessible in light of the Commission's June 24, 2020 Directive denying the Motion of Palmetto Utilities, Incorporated ("PUI" or "the utility") to Strike Portions of ORS Witness Testimony and for Imposition of Sanctions. (This Directive has now been issued as Commission Order No. 2020-431, dated July 6, 2020.) ORS states that the Directive concluded that the portions of Mr. Hunnell's Revised Direct Testimony and Exhibits that redacted in the current, publicly filed version are not entitled to confidential protection under South Carolina Code Ann. Section 58-4-55, along with the other portions of ORS witness testimony that PUI sought to strike.

No party has filed opposition to the ORS request. Accordingly, I hold that the ORS request is granted. The unredacted Revised Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Daniel P. Hunnell, II, originally filed under seal by the Office of Regulatory Staff shall be publicly filed with this Commission by ORS, served on the parties, and shall hereinafter, be publicly accessible. ORS shall file and serve the indicated unredacted Testimony and Exhibits as soon as possible. This ends the Hearing Officer Directive.